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## **Coleman Statement on RNC Programming Changes**

(Saint Paul) – Saint Paul Mayor Chris Coleman today released the following statement on the announcement of programming changes at the Republican National Convention.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with those on the Gulf Coast, and we hope for the best for all those affected by Hurricane Gustav. In the coming days, we are also prepared to show the world the results of more than two years of planning for the Republican National Convention. Today’s announcement does not change our intent to host a safe and successful convention. Our role is to provide security for visitors, delegates, and those who have come to Saint Paul to peacefully express their first amendment rights. We anticipate any changes to the program of the convention to have a minimal effect on our operations.

We are monitoring the situation on the Gulf Coast very closely and are working with the Host Committee as this situation develops. I encourage residents to give thought as to what they can do to support communities affected by this storm, but also to take part in this historic event as we continue to tell our story to the world.”

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